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Estd Friend Asa Gray

I send by post some seeds of the Magnolia macrophylla, which have been kept in the ground during the winter, and if planted immediately and not suffered to dry, I think will grow.

Decandolle in 1824 gives a list of Magnolias, ending with three doubtful species, viz inodora, Coco, & Figo. Has it since been determined whether they are really Magnolias, Liriodendron or something else? I have recd lately an interesting botanical pamphlet of thine for which I am much obliged.

Thy friend

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